

## **PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICY      MLA Program**

### ***Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) Policy for Accredited Programs to Use in Providing Information to the Public:***

*LAAB accredited programs are required to provide reliable information to the public. Programs must report on accreditation status and its performance. This information is to help potential students make informed application decisions.*

## **ACCREDITATION**

The BLA and MLA programs in landscape architecture are accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board and recognized by the Professional License Board, Division of the Department of the Secretary of the State of Georgia. For more information on LAAB, see: <https://www.asla.org/AccreditationLAAB.aspx>

## **COST OF ATTENDANCE 2018/2019**

The following information is summarized and provided for reference from The University of Georgia's Bursar's Office, the Graduate School, the Office of Financial Aid and the Family Housing Department.

Please refer to the cost of Tuition and Fees website for up-to-date information:

[http://busfin.uga.edu/bursar/bursar\\_tuition\\_1819/](http://busfin.uga.edu/bursar/bursar_tuition_1819/)

Tuition and fees are subject to state budget approval each year.

University of Georgia Fee Policy <http://policies.uga.edu/Finance/Operating-Budget/Original-Budget/Original-Budget-Funding-Sources/Student-Tuition-and-Fees/Mandatory-Student-Fees/>

## **Tuition and Fees, estimated budgets for Academic year 2018/2019**

	<b>Graduate in state</b>	<b>Graduate Out of state</b>
<b>Fees &amp; Tuition*</b>	\$12,552	\$28,388
<b>Books, Supplies, Insurance</b>	\$830	\$830
<b>Room &amp; Board</b>	\$11,956	\$11,956
<b>Transportation**</b>	\$1,880	\$1,880
<b>Personal / Misc.</b>	\$3,184	\$3,184
<b>Total Tuition, Fees and Other</b>	\$30,402.00	\$46,238.00

\* Fees are based on full-time graduate student enrollment. (12 hours per semester) for 9-month academic year.

\*\* Campus and City Bus Transportation are covered in the tuition and fees.

For information on tuition and living expenses visit <https://osfa.uga.edu/costs>

For information on housing please visit [https://housing.uga.edu/site/housing\\_community\\_fgh](https://housing.uga.edu/site/housing_community_fgh)

For information on food services please visit <http://foodservice.uga.edu/>

## RETENTION AND GRADUATION RATES

Graduation Rate: The following table shows the percentage of MLA students graduating within three years and four years of starting the program:

Cohort	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
% Graduated within 3 years (#)	80.0% (16)	85.0% (17)	63.0% (17)	42% (13)	59% (10)	83% (15)
% Graduated within 4 years (#)	90.0% (18)	90.0% (19)	71.0% (19)	68% (21)	69% (11)	N/A

One-Year Retention Rate: The following table shows the one-year retention rate for graduate students entering the MLA program over the past six years.

Cohort	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
% returning (#)	89.3% (25)	87.9% (29)	100% (16)	95.1% (17)	89% (19)	94.4% (18)

## DEMOGRAPHICS

The following tables show demographic data for students in the MLA program over the past five years:

	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
<b>Total Headcount</b>	72	78	76	60	64	52

Gender	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
<b>Men</b>	44	37	32	23	24	16
<b>Women</b>	28	41	44	37	40	36

Ethnic Origin	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<b>African American</b>	3%	1.3%	1.4%	0%	0%	0%
<b>Native American</b>	0%	1.3%	1.3%	1.6%	3%	2%
<b>Asian American</b>	0%	1.3%	1.3%	0%	4%	8%
<b>Caucasian</b>	79.1%	55.1%	53.8%	51.0%	53%	61%
<b>Non-Resident Alien</b>	17.9%	41%	42.3%	47.4%	40%	29%
<b>Other/Unknown</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Residency	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
GA Resident	37.4%	23.1%	21.1%	23.4%	32%	33%
Non-GA Resident	43.7%	35.9%	36.6%	29.2%	28%	38%
International	17.9%	41.0%	42.3%	47.4%	40%	29%

	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
Average Age	24.6	23.6	29.3	26.1	28	26.8

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Degrees Awarded: The program has awarded the following number of degrees over the past six years:

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-2017	2017-2018
MLA Degrees Awarded	18	19	22	15	24	16

Employment Status: 64% of the students who graduated during 2016 (and who are not pursuing graduate studies) have secured positions in landscape architecture or a related field.

Academic Performance: The MLA students carry an average course unit load per semester of 14 to 16 hours.

Fall 2017 entering MLA students have an average graduate GPA of 3.7 after their first year.

Fall 2018 entering MLA students have an undergraduate mean GPA of 3.27. The mean average for the GRE verbal section is 156 and the Quantitative section is 151.

Scholarships: MLA Students have received the following scholarship amounts by year from university and non-university sources over the past six years (Source: program records).

Academic Year	Total Scholarship Amounts (No.)
2011-12	\$32,475 (18)
2012-13	\$21,550 (14)
2013-14	\$40,625 (14)
2014-15	\$31,375 (11)
2015-16	\$41,500 (16)
2016-17	\$37,978 (15)
2017-18	\$31,438 (16)

Employment Percentages of recent graduates: Present employment of those receiving the MLA degree during the past five years, 2012-2017 (Source: program records):

<b>Present Occupation</b>	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>(no.)</b>
Advanced Study/Research	1.7%	( 2)
Teaching	2.6%	(3)
Private Practice	54%	(61)
Public Practice	9.5%	(11)
Landscape Hort/Design Build	.1%	(1)
Conservation/Sustainability	0%	(0)
Community Education	1.7%	(2)
Other	1.7%	(2)
Unknown	28.7%	(33)
Total	100%	(115)

**PROSPECTIVE STUDENT INFORMATION:**

Information for prospective students can be found on the following websites:

Admissions Information:

<http://grad.uga.edu/>

Institutional Research Information:

<http://oir.uga.edu/>

Prospective Landscape Architecture Student information:

<https://ced.uga.edu/degrees/mla/>

Department News & Events:

[https://ced.uga.edu/news\\_and\\_events/](https://ced.uga.edu/news_and_events/)

Student involvement in Public Service and Outreach

<http://www.ced.uga.edu/psol/>

Scholarships, Internships and Employment Opportunities.

[https://ced.uga.edu/student\\_life/financial\\_aid/](https://ced.uga.edu/student_life/financial_aid/)

Career Services

<http://www.career.uga.edu/>